

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 3754–3770; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 514–519 were introduced. **Pages H7381–82**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H7383–84**

Reports Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 3328, to require a study regarding security measures and equipment at Cuba's airports, require the standardization of Federal Air Marshal Service agreements, require efforts to raise international aviation security standards, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–308, Part1). **Page H7381**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Trott to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7317**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:52 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H7322**

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, September 14. **Pages H7324–25**

Criminal Alien Gang Member Removal Act—Rule for Consideration: The House agreed to H. Res. 513, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3697) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to aliens associated with criminal gangs, and for other purposes, and providing for proceedings during the period from September 15, 2017, through September 22, 2017, by a recorded vote of 222 ayes to 186 noes, Roll No. 487, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 184 nays, Roll No. 486. **Pages H7325–34**

Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2018: The House considered H.R. 3354, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, September 14th. **Page H7334–78**

Agreed to:

Mullin amendment (No. 73 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 8th that prohibits funds for enforcing the Obama Administration's EPA methane rule (by a recorded vote of 218 ayes to 195 noes, Roll No. 488); **Pages H7334–35**

Mullin amendment (No. 74 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 8th that prohibits funds for implementing the Obama Ad-

ministration's Social Cost of Carbon rule (by a recorded vote of 225 ayes to 186 noes, Roll No. 489);

Pages H7335–36

Murphy (PA) amendment (No. 175 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that provides \$5 million for grants that enhance infant and early childhood mental health promotion, intervention, and treatment programs (agreed by unanimous consent to withdraw the earlier request for a recorded vote to the end that the Chair put the question de novo); **Page H7338**

Murphy (PA) amendment (No. 176 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that provides \$9 million to provide access to behavioral health integration in pediatric primary care by supporting the development and improvement of statewide or regional pediatric mental health care telehealth access programs (agreed by unanimous consent to withdraw the earlier request for a recorded vote to the end that the Chair put the question de novo); **Page H7338**

Graves (GA) en bloc amendment No. 5 consisting of the following amendments printed in H. Rept. 115–297: Kuster (No. 194) that increases funding to the Office of National Drug Control Policy by \$6.902M, or its FY2017 amount, and decreases funding for the General Services Administration's real property account by the same amount; Murphy (FL) (No. 197) that increases funding for Small Business Administration, Entrepreneurial Development Programs by \$1 million, with the increase intended to support the Women's Business Centers program; decreases funding for the Public Buildings Reform Board by \$1 million; Soto (No. 202) that increases funding for Tax Counseling for the Elderly by \$1 million; Cartwright (No. 209) that prohibits the use of funds be used to plan for, begin, continue, complete, process, or approve a public-private competition to determine whether Federal civilian jobs should be outsourced; Kustoff (No. 210) that increases funding to the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas program by \$10 million and reduces the General Services Administration's rental of space allocation by \$10 million; Schneider (No. 214) that increases funding for Small Business Administration, Entrepreneurial Development Programs by \$4 million, with the increase intended to support Entrepreneurship Education; Courtney (No. 215) that provides funding to develop a revenue procedure related to the deduction of casualty losses in homes experiencing damage over time; Michelle Lujan Grisham (NM) (No. 216) that increases SBA Entrepreneurial Development Programs by \$5 million and reduces

SBA Salaries and Expenses by the same amount; Comstock (No. 217) that increases funds for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking (HIDTA) by \$5,000,000 and reduces the funds in the rental of space program under the GSA Real Property Activities Federal Building Funds by \$5,000,000; Denham (No. 219) that transfers \$1 million from the Asset Proceeds and Space Management Fund into the Public Buildings Reform Board Account for effective implementation of the Federal Assets Sale and Transfer Act of 2016 (P.L. 114–287) to provide the highest return for the taxpayer; Gabbard (No. 220) that increases funding by \$1 million for financial assistance, technical assistance, training and outreach programs designed to benefit Native American, Native Hawaiian, and Native Alaskan communities; and Velazquez (No. 224) that increases funding for Small Business Administration, Entrepreneurial Development Programs by \$10 million, with the increase intended to specifically support Small Business Development Centers;

Pages H7338–40

Roskam amendment (No. 190 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that prohibits any funds from being used to authorize a transaction by a U.S. financial institution (as defined under section 561.309 of title 31, Code of Federal Regulations) that is ordinarily incident to the export or re-export of a commercial passenger aircraft to the Islamic Republic of Iran;

Pages H7340–41

Roskam amendment (No. 191 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that prohibits any funds from being used to issue a license pursuant to any Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) memo regarding section 5.1.1 of Annex II to the JCPOA, including the OFAC memo titled, “Statement of Licensing Policy For Activities Related to the Export Or Re-Export to Iran of Commercial Passenger Aircraft and Related Parts and Services” and any other OFAC memo of the same substance;

Pages H7341–42

Jenkins (WV) amendment (No. 205 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that increases funding for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) by \$6 million with an offset from the IRS Enforcement account;

Pages H7351–52

Amodei amendment (No. 221 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that strikes section 906 in title IX which would eliminate the provision of the bill which subjects the NCUA to appropriations;

Pages H7358–59

Torres amendment (No. 87 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that increases funding for the Manufacturing Extension Partnership program which is offset by a reduction in funding for the General Administration Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Justice (by a recorded vote of 279 ayes to 137 noes, Roll No. 493);

Pages H7362–63

Flores amendment (No. 124 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that states that none of the funds made available by this Act may be used to implement, administer, or enforce Executive Order No. 13547 (75 Fed. Reg. 43023, relating to the stewardship of oceans, coasts, and the Great Lakes), including the National Ocean Policy developed under such Executive Order (by a recorded vote of 216 ayes to 199 noes, Roll No. 497);

Pages H7365–66

Buck amendment (No. 125 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that requires that localities receiving State Criminal Alien Assistance Program funds comply with federal immigration law (by a recorded vote of 226 ayes to 191 noes, Roll No. 498);

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Kildee amendment (No. 131 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that increases funding for Youth Employment Activities by \$10 million and reduces Department of Labor Salaries and Expenses by the same amount (by a recorded vote of 247 ayes to 170 noes, Roll No. 499);

Pages H7366–67

Meng amendment (No. 138 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that increases funding for the Women’s Bureau within the Department of Labor by \$1.064 million, and decreases funding by the same amount for the Bureau of Labor Statistics—Prices and Cost of Living Division (by a recorded vote of 220 ayes to 198 noes, Roll No. 501);

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Kildee amendment (No. 145 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that increases funding for the Healthy Start Program by \$24.8 million and decreases General Departmental Management in the Office of the Secretary by the same amount (by a recorded vote of 243 ayes to 175 noes, Roll No. 502);

Pages H7368–69

Clark amendment (No. 154 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that restores funding to SAMHSA’s mental health programs, offset with HHS program administration funds (by a recorded vote of 225 ayes to 192 noes, Roll No. 503);

Pages H7369–70

Ben Ray Lujan (NM) amendment (No. 160 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that decreases funding for HHS General Departmental Management by \$2 million and transfers those funds to the Peer Support Programs (by a recorded vote of 213 ayes to 205 noes, Roll No. 505);

Pages H7370–71

Lowey amendment (No. 161 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that restores funding to 21st Century Community Learning Centers program, offset with Department of

Education program administration funds (by a recorded vote of 228 ayes to 188 noes, Roll No. 506);

Pages H7371–72

Walberg amendment (No. 173 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that prevents funding to implement the National Labor Relations Board's Ambush Election rule (by a recorded vote of 221 ayes to 196 noes, Roll No. 512); and

Pages H7375–76

Gibbs amendment (No. 187 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that prohibits funds to implement, administer, or enforce the final regulations on "Improve Tracking of Workplace Injuries and Illnesses" (by a recorded vote of 215 ayes to 201 noes, Roll No. 515). **Pages H7377–78**

Rejected:

Polis amendment (No. 75 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 8th that sought to prohibit funds from being used to support the closure or consolidation of any regional office of the Environmental Protection Agency (by a recorded vote of 201 ayes to 212 noes, Roll No. 490);

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Polis amendment (No. 76 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 8th that sought to prohibit the use of funds to pursue any extra-legal ways to transfer Federal lands to private owners in contravention of existing law (by a recorded vote of 198 ayes to 212 noes, Roll No. 491);

Pages H7336–37

Norman amendment (No. 77 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 8th that sought to reduce total appropriations to the Environmental Protection Agency by \$1,869,087,000 (by a recorded vote of 151 ayes to 260 noes, Roll No. 492);

Pages H7337–38

Jackson Lee amendment (No. 206 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that sought to increase funding for the Fund Program Account of the Community Development Financial Institutions by \$500,000 and reduces funding for taxpayer services at IRS by \$1 million;

Pages H7352–53

Heck amendment (No. 211 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that sought to restore funding for the Small Business Administration's ScaleUp program, offset by the Department of the Treasury's salaries and expenses account;

Pages H7356–58

Kildee amendment (No. 222 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that sought to strike Sec. 133, which prohibits Treasury from enforcing rule or guideline implementing the Treasury guidance that ends US support of multilateral development bank funding for new overseas coal projects;

Pages H7359–60

Flores amendment (No. 149 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that increases CDC funding by \$40 million for an opioid

drug overdose prevention program, increase National Cancer Institute funding by \$40 million for pediatric cancer research, increase National Institute on Aging funding by \$40 million for Alzheimer's research, decrease CMS Program Management by \$120 million (agreed by unanimous consent to withdraw the earlier request for a recorded vote to the end that the Chair put the question de novo)

Page H7362

Grothman amendment (No. 105 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that sought to reduce the funding level for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives by five percent (by a recorded vote of 98 ayes to 313 noes, Roll No. 494);

Pages H7363–64

Scott (VA) amendment (No. 113 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that sought to strike section prohibiting the EEOC from using funds to implement pay data collection (by a recorded vote of 192 ayes to 223 noes, Roll No. 495);

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Norton amendment (No. 117 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that sought to prohibit the Federal Bureau of Prisons from requiring individuals in halfway houses or on home confinement to pay a subsistence fee (by a recorded vote of 189 ayes to 225 noes, Roll No. 496);

Pages H7364–65

Pocan amendment (No. 134 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that sought to restore funding to worker protection agencies, offset with DOL/HHS/ED program administration funds (by a recorded vote of 199 ayes to 219 noes, Roll No. 500);

Pages H7367–68

Murphy (PA) amendment (No. 155 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that sought to support funding of the Infant Adoption Awareness Training Program to train pregnancy and health counselors regarding how to offer adoption as an option to women with unplanned pregnancies (by a recorded vote of 198 ayes to 219 noes, Roll No. 504);

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Courtney amendment (No. 164 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that sought to increase Funding for Magnet Schools Assistance by \$1,184,000; decrease funding for Charter School Grants by \$1,184,000 (by a recorded vote of 204 ayes to 212 noes, Roll No. 507);

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Lewis (MN) amendment (No. 167 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that sought to increase funding for Career and Technical Education (CTE) State Grants by \$70,246,000 (by a recorded vote of 153 ayes to 263 noes with one answering "present", Roll No. 508);

Pages H7372–73

Grothman amendment (No. 168 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that sought to reduce funding for the Department of

Education's Program Administration, Office of Inspector General, and Office of Student Aid Administration by 2% (by a recorded vote of 131 ayes to 285 noes, Roll No. 509); **Pages H7373–74**

Grothman amendment (No. 170 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that sought to reduce the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) budget by \$99,000,000, funding the NLRB at \$150,000,000 for FY2018; the amendment would also reduce budget authority by \$99 million and reduce outlays by \$92 million (by a recorded vote of 175 ayes to 241 noes, Roll No. 510); **Page H7374**

Meadows amendment (No. 172 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that sought to reduce the number of positions and funding at Mine Safety and Health Administration by 10% (by a recorded vote of 178 ayes to 238 noes with one answering “present”, Roll No. 511); **Pages H7374–75**

Blackburn amendment (No. 174 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that sought to provide for a 1% across the board cut to Division F (by a recorded vote of 156 ayes to 260 noes, Roll No. 513); and **Page H7376**

Ellison amendment (No. 186 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that was debated on September 12th that sought to prohibit funds from going federal contracts with willful or repeated violators of the Fair Labor Standards Act (by a recorded vote of 191 ayes to 226 noes, Roll No. 514). **Pages H7376–77**

Proceedings Postponed:

Palmer amendment (No. 192 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that seeks to prohibit funds from being used to implement the District of Columbia's Reproductive Health Non-Discrimination Amendment Act; **Pages H7342–44**

Gohmert amendment (No. 195 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that seeks to reduce the Internal Revenue Service's Operations Support account by \$165,300.00 and transfer that amount to the Spending Reduction account; **Page H7344**

Norton amendment (No. 196 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that seeks to strike the repeal of the District of Columbia's Local Budget Autonomy Amendment Act of 2012; **Page H7345**

Ellison amendment (No. 199 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that seeks to strike section 926 on page 590, relating to bringing the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau into the regular appropriations process; **Pages H7345–47**

Ellison amendment (No. 200 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that seeks to strike section 915 on page 563, relating to manufactured housing; **Pages H7347–49**

Ellison amendment (No. 201 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that seeks to strike section 928, relating to removal of authority to regulate small-dollar credit; **Pages H7349–50**

Mitchell amendment (No. 204 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that seeks to reduce by 10% general administrative and departmental salary and expense accounts in Division D, and transfers the savings to the Spending Reduction Account; **Pages H7350–51**

Huizenga amendment (No. 207 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that seeks to prohibit the use of funds to implement, administer, or enforce a SEC rule pursuant to Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Act relating to conflict minerals; and **Pages H7353–56**

Jackson Lee amendment (No. 223 printed in H. Rept. 115–297) that seeks to provide additional funding to the Taxpayer Advocate Service for the purpose of assisting the parents of a deceased child, when that child's information has been stolen and used on personal income taxes filed with the IRS, when the parent or guardian of record must report the identity theft of their deceased child's information. **Pages H7360–62**

H. Res. 504, the rule providing for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3354) was agreed to Thursday, September 7th.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and twenty-nine recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7332–33, H7333–34, H7334–35, H7335–36, H7336, H7336–37, H7337–38, H7363, H7363–64, H7364, H7365, H7365–66, H7366, H7367, H7367–68, H7368, H7368–69, H7369–70, H7370, H7370–71, H7371–72, H7372, H7372–73, H7373–74, H7374, H7374–75, H7375–76, H7376, H7376–77, and H7377–78. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections; and Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions held a joint hearing on H.R. 3441, the “Save Local Business Act”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BIG RELIEF FOR SMALL BUSINESS: LEGISLATION REDUCING REGULATORY BURDENS ON SMALL MANUFACTURERS AND OTHER JOB CREATORS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Environment held a hearing entitled “Big Relief for